

**P-20 Council  
Teacher Committee Meeting  
August 22, 2007 - 3:30 p.m.  
Meeting Notes**

**Location:** 1700 W. Washington, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room B, Phoenix, AZ 85007  
**Committee Members Present:** Dr. Kino Flores, Dr. Ron Marx, Dr. Bob Donofrio, Cathleen Barton, Xan Simonson, Carol Peck, Reuben Gonzales.  
**Staff Present:** Lauren Kielsmeier, Erin Hart, Debra Raeder, Claire Parriott.  
**Guests Present:** None.

**1. Call to Order and Welcome**

Dr. Kino Flores called the meeting to order at 3:35 pm.

**2. Organizational Update: TQS and P-20**

Staff reported that the work of the Teacher Quality and Support (TQS) Committee has concluded. Staff encouraged the TQS Committee members to remain involved through the Teacher Committee.

**3. Update: State Board of Education**

Staff provided an update on the work of the State Board of Education (SBE) in raising the requirements for high school graduation. SBE's proposal was discussed. The committee discussed the need for math and science teachers throughout the state and discussed creative ways to meet that need. These ideas included: tuition waivers, stipends, differentiated teacher pay, scholarships, retraining current teachers, retaining current teachers, incentives for retention, school leadership, distance learning, and engaging business and industry representatives in the classroom. Staff noted that SBE will be creating a blueprint in early 2008 to begin addressing the need for additional teachers.

**4. Review/Discuss: P-20 Strategic Plan**

Staff reviewed the draft strategic planning document with the committee.

**5. Review/Discuss: Crosswalk of Recommendations**

Staff reviewed a draft crosswalk of the TQS and P-20 recommendations, and their status. The committee discussed the recommendation for a Professional Standards Board and concluded that while it was an important recommendation, currently it is less of a priority for the committee.

**6. Update: Arizona Summit on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills**

Dr. Ron Marx invited committee members to attend the Arizona Summit on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills on October 25, 2007 at the University of Arizona. The event will focus on four strands: teacher preparation programs, professional development, assessment, and youth development.

**7. Update: STEM Grant Application and Work of P-20 Council and Committees**

Staff provided a brief update on the application to the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community for funds to create a STEM center in Arizona. Staff also provided a brief update on the work of the other committees, including the coordinated communications campaign, math alignment work, and higher education study.

**8. Call to the Public**

Jane Jackson from Arizona State University addressed the committee regarding her modeling program.

**9. Adjournment**

There being no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Kino Flores at 5:10 pm.